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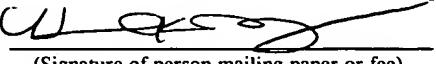
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the [x] Utility [ ] Design [x] nonprovisional [ ] provisional patent application of:

Inventor / Application Identifier: Tatsuya SAKAGAMI, et al.

[x] See Inventor Information Sheet attached

For: SEAT RING WITH INSERT FOR BUTTERFLY VALVE, AND MANUFACTURING

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METHOD THEREOF

[ ] This is a new patent application.  
[x] This is the 35 U.S.C. 371 National Stage Application of the above-identified PCT Application.  
[ ] This is a provisional patent application.  
[ ] This is a: [ ] Continuation Application  
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[ ] Continuation-in-Part Application  
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[ ] Incorporation By Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

| ENCLOSED ARE THE FOLLOWING:                |    |  |
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| X  | 11 | Sheets of drawings ([x] formal [ ] informal size A4 ). |
| X  | 12 | Pages of specification including abstract and claims.  |
| X  | 23 | Total pages.   |
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| <b>PRIORITY CLAIMS</b>              |  |
|                                     | Applicant hereby claims the benefit of the filing date of the following provisional application(s) under the provision of 35 USC 119.        |
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| CLAIMS FILED AND FILING FEE CALCULATION                                       |                                 |             |                        |       |         |
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| ITEM  | —                               | Rate        | Applied Fee            |       |         |
| [ ] Basic Fee Utility   | —                               | \$300       |                        |       |         |
| [ ] Search Fee Utility  | —                               | \$500       |                        |       |         |
| [ ] Exam. Fee Utility   | —                               | \$200       |                        |       |         |
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| Small Entity e-Filed Basic Fee Utility: SEE BELOW "Small Entity is Asserted." | —                               |             |                        |       |         |
| [X] Basic Fee - PCT Nat'l Stage   | —                               | \$300       | \$300                  |       |         |
| [X] Search Fee - PCT Nat'l Stage  | 37 CFR 1.492(b)(3)              | \$400       | \$400                  |       |         |
| [X] Exam. Fee - PCT Nat'l Stage   | 37 CFR 1.492(c)(2)              | \$200       | \$200                  |       |         |
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| [ ] Basic Fee - Design  | —                               | \$200       |                        |       |         |
| [ ] Search Fee Design   | —                               | \$100       |                        |       |         |
| [ ] Exam. Fee Design  | —                               | \$130       |                        |       |         |
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| Claim Fees  | Number Filed                    | Base Number | Number Extra over Base | —     |         |
| Total Claims  | 0                               | 20          | 0                      | \$50  | \$0     |
| Independent Claims  | 0                               | 3           | 0                      | \$200 | \$0     |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Fee  | —                               |             |                        | \$360 | \$0     |
| [ ] Small Entity Status is Asserted   | Deduct 50% of above fees        |             |                        |       | (\$0)   |
| [ ] Basic Fee Utility - e-filed and Small Entity                              | —                               |             |                        | \$75  |         |
| [X] Non-English Specification   | —                               |             |                        | \$130 | \$130   |
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INVENTOR INFORMATION SHEET

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